

LEGAL NOTICE

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Notice is hereby given that the New Hampshire (NH) Department of Health and Human Services (the Department) is proposing to amend the Title XIX State Plan to modify the nursing home reimbursement methodology by revising the Budget Adjustment Factor (BAF).

Effective July 1, 2021, the Department adjusted the 28.76% budget adjustment factor (BAF) applied to the nursing facility per diem rates to an estimated 25.16%, subject to the 2022-2023 State Budget authorization. The fiscal impact for SFY 2022 as a result of the change in the nursing facility BAF is expected to result in an increase in expenditures of \$5,250,000, which is made up of \$2,625,000 in non-federal dollars and \$2,625,000 in federal dollars.

Effective January 1, 2022, the Department is adjusting the 23.62% BAF applied to the nursing facility per diem rates to an estimated 22.08% due to calculated changes in NF costs and utilization. Fiscal impacts are tied to the 2022-2023 State Budget authorization, which went through public process in July 2021.

Copies of draft State Plan pages will be available by February 1, 2022. Please contact Janine Corbett at (603) 271-9421, or via e-mail at janine.s.corbett@dhhs.nh.gov, to request copies. The amendments to the State Plan pages may undergo further revisions before and after submittal to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) based upon public comment or CMS feedback. Comments will be due by March 1, 2022 and should be e-mailed to janine.s.corbett@dhhs.nh.gov or mailed to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medicaid Services, 129 Pleasant Street–Brown Building, Concord, NH 03301-3857, ATTN: Janine Corbett.